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SUBJECT: VISIT OF TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER GUNES TO PRC

1. USLO HAS ASKED MEMBERS OF TURKISH EMBASSY STAFF IN PEKING INCLUDING CHARGE ORAN AND FIRST SECRETARY AZER FOR ANY INFORMATION WHICH THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE CONCERNING POINTS OF INTEREST EMERGING DURING VISIT OF TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER GUNES TO PEKING. RESPONSE HAS BEEN DISAPPOINTING. ORAN PLEADED LACK OF BACKGROUND ON CHINA (HE IS RECENT ARRIVAL WITH NO PREVIOUS EAST ASIA EXPERIENCE) WITH CONSEQUENT FEAR OF PROVIDING "MISLEADING" INFORMATION AS REASON FOR NOT BEING MORE FORTHCOMING. AZER WHO IS USUALLY QUITE FORTHCOMING APPEARED TO BE UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO HOLD INFO ON TRIP CLOSELY.

2. ORAN DID MENTION THAT SOME OF THE SAME GROUND WAS COVERED DURING GUNES VISIT AS OCCURRED IN DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN CHINESE AND OTHER RECENT HIGH-LEVEL VISITORS, E.G. KIRSCHSLAEGER OF AUSTRIA. THIS INCLUDED STOCK CHINESE FORMULATIONS ON SOVIET THREAT TO WESTERN EUROPE, NEED FOR UNIT AMONG NATO NATIONS, AND LACK OF SOVIET SINCERITY WITH RESPECT TO DETENTE (PRC FOREIGN MINISTER CHI P'ENG-FEI REFERRED TO CESC AS "INSECURITY" CONFERENCE). ACCORDING TO ORAN, CHINESE ALSO EXPRESSED SYMPATHY WITH TURKISH POSITION ON CYPRUS SITUATION.

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3. DESPITE ORAN'S OWN RETICENCE, HE EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT

TURKS WOULD MAKE INFORMATION ABOUT GUNES VISIT AVAILABLE TO
U.S. EITHER IN ANKARA OR WASHINGTON. HE FURTHER SURMISED THAT
REPORT WOULD BE DELIVERED TO NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL.
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